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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on October 8, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant identifies on page 2, ¶2 that claims 1, 2, 4, 8-13, 15, 33, 34, 44-47, 50, 51 and 55 are readable on the elected species of Species IV comprising figures 4 and 4A. However, a different listing of claims 1, 2, 8, 12, 13, 34, 44-47, 50, 51, 55 with a statement that claims 25-32, 53 and 54 are usable on any species is found in the section "LISTING OF CLAIMS READABLE TO EACH SPECIES" on page 3 of the response. These two listings are not the same and applicant is required to provide a single listing of claims readable on figures 4 and 4A, the elected species as shown in figures 4 and 4A. The remaining claims will be withdrawn from consideration, pending rejoinder if an allowable generic claims is declared. It is not clear which claims should be examined on the merits at this time and clarification is required. See 37 CFR 1.111.

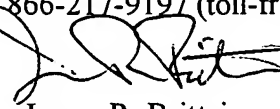
Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James R. Brittain whose telephone number is (703) 308-2222. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 5:30-2:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, J. J. Swann can be reached on (703) 306-4115. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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